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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT****SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED DRAWINGS**

Sir:

This paper is a preliminary amendment by way of a submission of corrected drawings for the above-identified patent application. Accordingly, enclosed herewith are:

1. Four (4) replacement drawings sheets disclosing Figures 1-4;
2. A stamped, self-addressed postcard to be returned to the undersigned upon receipt of the above stated replacement drawing sheets.

The Replacement Drawings comply with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121(d). No new matter has been added.

The replacement drawings for Figures 1-4 are being submitted because the applicant recognized that the drawings originally filed inaccurately depicted the configuration of the contact of the bearing 27 and shield 26. The correct configuration is a shield with an internal

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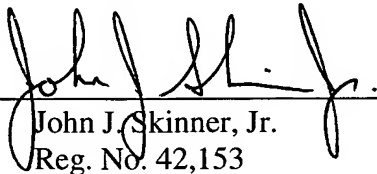
step contacting one end of the bearing. The corrected drawings accurately reflect this contact configuration between the bearing and shield. The corrections to Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4 are supported by paragraphs [0026-0028], [0041], [0045], and [0047], respectively, of the specification.

This application has not yet been examined. Accordingly, prior to such examination, the Applicant requests approval to substitute the enclosed set of Replacement Drawings, Figures 1-4 (four sheets), for the drawings that were previously filed in the above-identified application. No corrections and/or changes are being made at this time to the remaining Figures 5-11.

No fee is believed to be due. However, if a fee is required by this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to the Deposit Account of the undersigned attorneys, Account No. 50-0675, Order No. 051319-0035; likewise, any refund should be credited to the same account.

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